

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 3 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

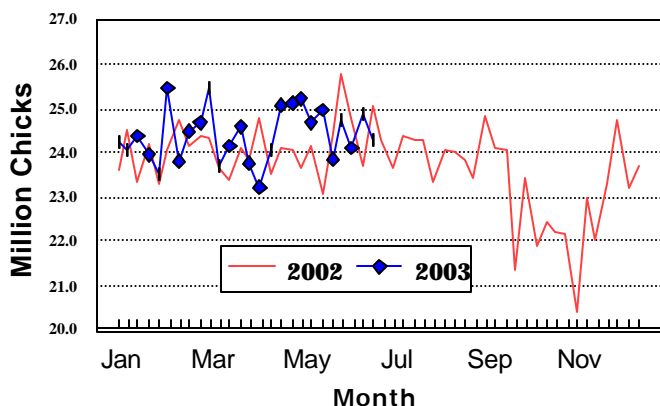
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.3 million during the week ending June 28, 2003. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week in 2002, and down 2 percent from the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2002 through June 28, 2003 were 634.7 million, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.5 million, down fractionally from the corresponding week a year earlier, but up 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.6 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.9 percent.

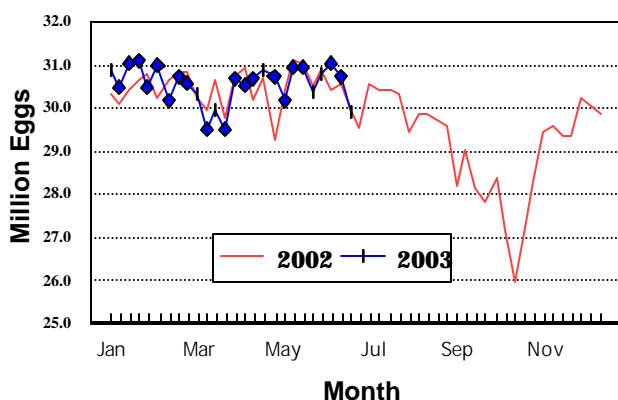
Arkansas hatcheries set 29.9 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 28, 2003, down slightly from the same period last year, and down 3 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2002	2003	% Change	2002	2003	% Change	2002	2003	% Change
	1,000			1,000			1,000		
May 24	23,111	24,987	108	24,415	25,656	105	31,069	30,963	100
May 31	24,442	23,863	98	25,320	25,136	99	30,531	30,369	99
Jun. 7	25,785	24,744	96	25,986	25,944	100	30,870	30,797	100
Jun. 14	24,765	24,094	97	25,846	25,855	100	30,448	31,052	102
Jun. 21	23,720	24,892	105	25,422	25,268	99	30,594	30,754	101
Jun. 28	25,058	24,326	97	25,606	25,540	100	29,971	29,935	100

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2002-2003



EGGS SET, 2002 - 2003



# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2003**

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	07-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	28-Jun		24-May	31-May	07-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	28-Jun	
Alabama	28,991 *	28,589	28,236	28,215	99	21,899	21,477	21,747	22,363	22,257	22,095	101
ARKANSAS	30,797	31,052	30,754	29,935	100	24,987	23,863	24,744	24,094	24,892	24,326	97
Delaware	3,761	3,640	3,703	3,532	103	4,848	4,316	4,839	4,722	5,579	5,556	111
Florida	1,329	1,329	1,290	1,327	56	1,876	1,836	1,762 *	1,535	1,704	1,793	81
Georgia	32,745 *	32,759	32,188	32,360	100	25,248	25,325	26,189	26,619	26,399 *	26,764	103
Kentucky	6,623	6,579	6,609 *	6,215	98	5,638	5,049	5,973	5,744	5,761 *	5,547	100
Maryland	9,572	9,611	9,585	9,563	102	6,380	7,114	6,686	6,908	5,566	5,484	81
Mississippi	19,637	19,470	18,952	18,837	102	16,506	16,036	16,655	16,786	16,759	16,696	104
N. Carolina	19,180 *	18,615	18,911	17,293	97	15,110	15,140	14,834	15,174	14,877	15,269	98
Oklahoma	6,633	6,732	6,696	6,451	96	4,818	4,471	5,461	5,651	4,119	4,786	106
Pennsylvania	3,761	3,836 *	3,881 *	3,851	107	2,676	2,729	2,735	2,752 *	2,672 *	2,707	100
S. Carolina	4,864	4,535	4,576	4,452	94	3,852	4,388	4,668	3,713	4,144	4,041	100
Texas	14,920	14,807	14,827	13,827	95	12,560	12,552	12,503	12,563	12,638	12,525	103
Virginia	6,617	6,617	6,609	6,356	104	5,309	5,165	5,055	5,324	5,763	5,514	111
CALAM,MO,TN,WV	21,339 *	21,230	20,503 *	21,229	105	19,747	20,066	18,400	19,392	19,659 *	19,051	95
Total 2003	210,769 *	209,401 *	207,320 *	203,443		171,454	169,527	172,251 *	173,340 *	172,789 *	172,154	
Total 2002	212,336	210,870	207,561	204,462		171,336	172,385	174,118	173,320	172,818	172,481	
% Prev. Year	99	99	100	100		100	98	99	100	100	100	
Approximate Marketing Date 2003.....						12-Jul	19-Jul	26-Jul	02-Aug	09-Aug	16-Aug	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## **EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES DOWN SLIGHTLY**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 203 million eggs during the week ending June 28, 2003. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN SLIGHTLY**

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 28, 2003. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 29, 2002 through June 28, 2003 were 4.37 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.